CONGRATULATIONS ON THE NEW FURRY ADDITION TO YOUR FAMILY!







Enjoy these helpful tips to care for your dog and to be safe around other dogs

DOG BITE PREVENTION

- Train your dog. Take your dog to humane, reward-based training classes.
- Instruct guests to never approach your dog if they are in their "safe place."
- · Leave your dog alone when it is eating.
- Most dogs don't like being hugged. Be sure not to hug dogs that you don't know.
- Don't touch a dog's ears, feet and tail.

GREETING A DOG THE RIGHT WAY



- Be sure to walk (not run) up to a dog.
- Always ask permission from the owner to pet their dog and ask if the dog will bite.
- It is best to avoid staring and direct eye contact with a dog.
 Keep your face relaxed.
- · The first place to pet a dog is under its chin.
 - · Make a fist and have the dog can smell it first.
 - Then pet the dog under its chin and then its back.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU SEE A LOOSE DOG?

- Don't run up to it. Stay still, cross your arms and look straight ahead.
- If the dog comes up to sniff you, stay still.

 If a dog knocks you down, go into a ball and cover your head and tuck your arms and legs under your body. Do not scream, hit or panic. Remain still.

GENERAL TIPS

- · Make your dog part of your family.
- Socialize your dog.
- · Play gently with your dog.
- Make a hand signal for your dog's commands. Use both visual and verbal commands.
- Teach your dog a "good-bye" word for when you leave the house.

 When you leave and come back home, be bland and calm. Then greet your dog.

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